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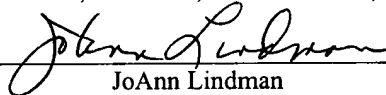
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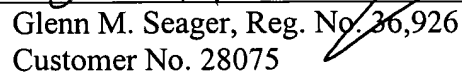

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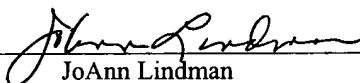
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Dear Sir or Madame:

This communication is filed in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 12, 2004, setting a three-month shortened statutory period for response ending June 12, 2004. This response is being filed within the set period such that no extension of time is necessary.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 17 of this paper.